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1. ALTHOUGH NO REPEAT NO FINAL DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE, A REVISION IN THE PHASE II TARGET DATES IS BEING CONSIDERED BY DEFENSE BECAUSE OF THE UNANTICIPATED DELAYS IN THE CONFIDENTIAL

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ACHIEVEMENT OF MANY PREPARATORY ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT

AN ORDERLY IMPLEMENTATION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN AVAILABLE.

- 2. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, CONSUMMATING AGREEMENT WITH GOG FOR USE OF SOUJA AB TAKES FIRST PRIORITY. IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE RESOLUTION OF SOUJA AB IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY SINCE ITS USE IS REQUIRED EVEN WITHOUT HOMEPORTING. IF NECESSARY AS A NEGOTIATING TOOL TO SEPARATE SOUJA BAY FROM HOMEPORTING YOU MAY, PREFERABLY AT THE NEGOTIATORS LEVEL, ALLUDE TO THE FACT THAT A DELAY IN PHASE II IS BEING CONSIDERED.
- 3. CONCUR WITH EMBASSY ASSESSMENT THAT ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO HOMEPORTING SHOULD NOT BE INTRODUCED

AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, SINCE FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARD PHASE II IMPLEMENTATION, REGARDLESS OF DATE, IS CONTINGENT UPON THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE CONCLUSION OF REQUISITE AGREEMENTS WITH GOG, RECOMMEND DOCUMENTS BE SUBMITTED AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME CONSISTENT WITH FIRST PRIORITY FOR SOUJA BAY AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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